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DOROTHY DRESS-Made of gingham, in assorted checks, stripes and plain colors. Yoke, wide belt and piping of white repp; \$1.50 TWO-PIECE DRESS—The waist of plain gingham, in full range of colors. Collar, cuffs and belt of plain gingham. Skirt of \$2.00

plaid gingham on underwaist; sizes 6-14. Price PEPLUM DRESS—Fine white lawn with collaboration ham, in assorted colors. Also made in a full range of plain \$2.50 PEPLUM DRESS-Fine white lawn with collar and cuffs of ging-

FRENCH LINEN, in plain colors. Collar and colors repp; large pearl buttons; wide belt of self material; sizes \$3.00 FRENCH LINEN, in plain colors. Collar and cuffs of hemstitched

Complete New Lines of Other Wash Dresses

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New arrivals include Dresses of sturdy gingham and galatea, durable linens, pretty voiles, crepes, ratines, etc., in both fancy and plain colors; sizes for the two-year-old tot up to those for a miss of 14. Prices. \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 up to \$8.00 each

SPECIAL DRESSES.

To-day we place on sale some excellent quality Dresses, in

A new shipment includes those with separate skirts as well as Middy Suits. Sizes 6 to 20 years.

Men's Bath Robes, \$3.98

WARM BLANKET-CLOTH ROBES, in a variety of popular colorings; also, Robes of the TERRY CLOTH variety; wash like a linen handkerchief. Some regular \$5.00 numbers we're specializing on this week at \$3.98 each. MEN'S BATH SLIPPERS to match, 50c to \$2.50.

MEN'S RAINCOATS.

An unusually good article. The Kind of guarantee as ABSOLUTELY WATERPROOF! \$5.00 An unusually good article. The kind of Raincoat we can

Your Spring Home Needs

Just the sort of better furnishings that this store sellsnew Cretonnes that are lovely beyond description-new Curtains-Floor Coverings in rich, new Oriental and American designs, and other things to make home life more attractive during the spring and summer months

Cretonnes!

SEE SIXTH STREET WINDOWS.

Our unique display of Cretonnes for draperies, covering of furniture, etc., is attracting great attention, and is the subject of much favorable comment from visitors.

The new season finds us with a new and beautiful stock of foreign and domestic Cretonnes, Tickings, Dimities, Damasks and Taffetas, in artistic designs and colors; the newest of these being the florals, stripes and Orientals on tinted grounds.

Prices are very moderate, beginning at 15c a yard for domestic Cretonnes and rising by easy stages to \$2.50 a yard for Imported Cretonnes

CONSIDER BELT QUESTION

At a special meeting of the Board of Pe-cs Commissioners fast night a committee was named to look into the advisability of coing away with the heavy teather belts.



CONSIDER BELT QUESTION Committee Will Look Into Advisability of MARCH TERN WILL Discarding Part of Police Equipment. OPEN ON TUESDAY

to Improve Freight Yards Here.

With Local Plant for Engines.

Announcement of a broader policy on he part of the Southern Railway today in a letter from President Fair-fax liarrison to W. T. Reed, president of the Richmond Chamber of Com-merce, in which Mr. Harrison tool of plans for a great freight terminal for this city and the placing of an order for twenty-seven large locomotives with the American Locomotive Works with the stipulation that they be built at the Richmond plant. The letter was received with pleasure by the business community.

minal, which is designed to relieve the congestion now existing in the Southern Railway yards in Richmond, have not been published and are not entirely matured. Engineers of the railway have viewed the ground and it presented tentative plans for the enlargement of the company's facilities for handling freight in this city, but so far as is known Mr. Harrison has not given his official approval to any particular plan.

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Impressed With City's Business.

James H. Drike, general freight agent of the So thern Railway, with offices in Richmond, said vesterday that he was not familiar with the details of the terminal to be provided, although President Harrison told him of his plan to improve conditions here on a recent visit to Richmond. Mr. Drake was given to understand by Mr. Harrison that money will be spent generously in providing the terminal, and that pains will be exercised to erase objectionable conditions.

"Mr. Harrison told me on his recent visit here that he had arranged to finance large improvements in rolling stock and equipment which he has had under contemplation for some time, and that Richmond would profit to a large extent by the plans," said Mr. Drake. "We did not go into the details of the proposed improvements at the time, and in fact, I do not think Mr. Harrison himself had determined upon their exact nature. I know that he is impressed with the business conditions of the city and disposed to do all within reason to advance Richmond's prosperity."

New Vards Now Building.

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Mr. Drake added that the Southern Railway has under construction in the Southslde and in the Trigg yards many tracks which will help to relieve the freight congestion here. The new South Richmond yards will afford room for 265 cars and the Trigg yards for about sixty ears, glying an increased capacity of approximately 325 cars.

The news that an order for twenty-seven large engines has been placed by the Southern with the Richmond branch of the American Locomocive Works was received with general satisfaction. It will mean the operation of the big plant at full capacity for many months. The order will call for the expenditure of \$500,000, and it is expected that the erection of the freight terminal will mean an outlay of approximately \$250,900.

A letter of appreciation was written by Mr. Reed to President Harrison upon the receipt of Mr. Harrison's communication. He expressed the pleasure of the city over the prompt section the president of the Southern Railway took to redeem the promises he made on his recent visit to Richmond. Mr. Harrison's some correspondence with E. S. Goodman, traffic manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Text of the Letter.

FLEE FROM FLAMES GREAT TERMINAL IN BOARDING-HOUSE

Fairfax Harrison Writes of Move Nearly Dozen Men and Women Forced Into Streets by Early Morning Fire.

HELP RICHMOND GROW TEMPERATURE NEAR ZERO

Railway Also Places Large Order Firemen Fight Blaze Under Great Handicap by Cold Weather. Dr. Willis Hurt.

Nearly 2 dozen men and women, boarders in the home of Miss Constance Anderson, of 19 North Fifth Street, were awakened from their sleep vesterday morning shortly before 3 o'clock by fire, which broke out in the attle, and were forced to fice to the street for their lives. None had time to dress fully, and upon going out, with the temperature just a few degrees above zero, suffered intensely from the cold. All finally found temporary accommodations in near-by dwellings.

The fire, believed to have been caused by rats gnawing matches, was fought under a great handicap. Fire plugs were frozen, and it was nearly ten minutes before a stream could be gotten upon the blaze. As the water fell it froze instantly, and that in the hose lines froze as soon as it was cut off at the nozzles. Firemen suffered intensely before the flames were finally extinguished, and several had their hands and feet frost-bitten.

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Car Runs Over Hose.

A further difficulty was encountered when a Main Street "owl" car ran over a line of hose through which water was being pumped by Engine Company No. 9, at Fifth and Main Streets. The water gushed forth in torrents from the severed hose and froze as it began to pour down the hill toward Eighth Street. The street for nearly two blocks was covered with a solid sheet of ice.

Not until after 7 o'clock had all the apparatus which was called out returned to quarters.

The blaze was discovered by Patrolman Barker, who detected the odor of smoke while standing at Fifth and Main Streets. He saw smoke issuing from the windows of the top floor and turned in an alarm from Fourth and Frankin Streets. Running back to the burning house, with Patrolman Walshe, he rushed in and awakened the occupants. The two officers assisted them in reaching places of safety. Articles of value which had been left behind by the fleeing boarders were picked up by firemen and restored to owners.

Dr. A. Murat Willis, of 601 East Franklin Street, one of the owners of the burned dwelling, slipped and fell upon the icy pavements while returning from the fire, and fractured his ankle. He was assisted to the Johnston-Willis Hospital, of which he is secretary-treasurer, where it was said last night that he was resting com-

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Scaboard Air Line Railway.

Approximate gross carnings: second week,
February 1914, \$533,177; 1913, \$525,766; Incroase,
\$7,411. July 1 to February 15-1914, \$15,494,011;
1913, \$14,928,266; Increase, \$565,645.

Overcoats Worth Up to \$35.00 at \$14.75 Suits Worth Up to \$23.00 at \$14.75

Both sales are nearing the end though they still offer a good assortment for your selection. Our merchandise is of the highest class, which adds to the value of our offerings. All sizes for men of all shapes.

Gans-Rady Company.

Convention.

Meeting Demands for

Written notice has been received at

league headquarters that 1,000 out-of-

town delegates will attend the sessions

of the State Convention of the Virginia

Progressive Democratic League in this

city to-morrow and Saturday. This

number does not take into account the

STUART TO SPEAK PROGRESSIVES ARE

iovernor and Other Prominent Portsmouth Delegates Charter Persons Will Take Part in Graduating Exercises.

CADET APPOINTMENTS MADE THOUSANDVISITORS EXPECTED

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heard at the Virginia Military Institute finals in June. The corps of cadets is highly gratified at the announcement that Governor Henry C. Stuart has accepted an invitation to make an address

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Negro Charged With Robbing Mail Is Arraigned Before U. S. Commissioner,
James Robertson, colored, charged with robbing the United States mails was arraigned yesterday before Commissioner Melvin Flegenheimer and ordered held for trial at the next term of the United States District Court. Robertson was arrested at his home in Amelia by Post-Office Inspector Hall B. Mosby, and is said to have confessed to riffing mail sacks at the Amelia station, at which he was employed as a porter. A large number of the stolen articles have been recovered. Robertson is confined in the Henrico County Jaff. Bond was set at \$500, but no bondsmen have yet been secured for the prisoner.

ELECTRIC PLANT BURNED

Cross Wires Cause Fire in Power House of C. & O.

Damage, estimated at several thousand dollars, covered by insurance, was caused by lire yesterday afternoon, which was started, it was said, by cross wires in the engine room of the electric plant of the Chesapeake and Ohio Rallway in Seventeenth Street. The engine room and two offices were damaged before the blaze was extinguished by engine companies Nos. 1, 2 and 3 and No. 2 track.

The greatest difficulty encountered was preventing the flames from spreading to the oil house and near-by shops.

You Can Start Small Train to Bring Them to

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wants a blg bank like this one. 1101 East Main.

veying the information that 100 delegates will come to the convention from Norfolk. A special car will be chartered for this delegation, which will remain in the city for all the sessions. About 1,500 applications for membership in the Virginia Progressive Democratic League have been received at the league headquarters from various sections of the State. Not a single county has failed to contribute to the membership. As yet no effort has been made to circulate the roll books in Richmond. An opportunity for enrollment will be given during the continuous convention.

PUTS IN BUSY DAY

Associated Charities Manages to Fin-ish Accumulated Work.

By keeping ten men and four wag-ons going all day, the Associated ons going all day, the Associated Charities managed yesterday to catch up in the great mass of work entailed by the cold snap and storms of the past two weeks. Among the things accomplished by the association yesterday was the distribution of 172 pairs of shoos 1,902 articles of clothing, sixty-four orders for groceries, wood and coal, 132 meals to transfents and the use of forty-five beds by visitors at the institution. During the day 200 telephone calls were answered and eighty-five interviews granted.

Debate College Question.

The establishment of a co-ordinate college at the University of Virginia was discussed by the debating society of the John Marshall High School on Tuesday night. Miss Dora Visky and Louis Bloomberg were the affirmative speakers and Leroy Hutzler and R. F. Ritchie the negative. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative.

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Mrs. Preston, of Washington State Schools. Address to Honor year of Washington State Schools. Addresses Local League. Mrs. Joseph Preston, superintendent of schools in the State of Washington, was the guest of honor yesterday at a meeting of the Equal Suffrage League of Richmond, and made an interesting talk on her duties and the growth of woman suffrage in her State. The ballot was given to women in Washington in 1910, and since that time the women have done much to purify the politics of that State. Mrs. Preston said. In answer to a question from the audience, she stated that, in her belief, Hiram C. Dill would again be Mayor of Seattle, although the women, who were instrumental in his recall, will bitterly oppose him. Mrs. Harriette Taylor Treadwell, president of the Chicago Political League, and Miss Florence Holdman, author of the Holdman Readers, will speak to-day at the weekly meeting of the league. The public is invited. To-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock United States Senator Robert L. Owen will speak before the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections in the hall of submitting the equal suffrage ammedment to the voters of Virginia. The gallery will be open to the public. Address to Henrico Farmers. Under the auspices of the Henrico Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Association, J. F. Cates, editor of the Southern Planter, and Dr. E. W. McGruder, State Chemist, will speak to-night in Little Trinity Church, Henrico, on lime and fertilizers.

Credit Men Meet To-Night. The quarterly meeting of the Richmond Association of Credit Men will take place this evening at the Business Men's Club. Supper will be served at 7 o'clock.

The Administrative Beard yesterday recommended the following salary increases to the Council:

McGraw-Yarbrough Co. Second Assistant City Engineer, \$2,400; famigator, \$1,000; stenographer Health Department, \$780.